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DEMOCRATIC NOMINEES.

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GIVES IT STRAIGHT.

One of the clearest headed young men in any of the professions in North Carolina made a statement to the editor of THE COMMONWEALTH recently that carries with it a great deal of significance.

He said that he was better posted and more correctly posted as to the passing events of the day when he was living far out in the mountains away from the railroads, than at any period of his life. He was teaching out there, we believe, and his only means of learning the news was the weekly newspapers.

He received his mail once or twice a week and had to rely on the weekly papers for his information.

The gay headlines and startling statements in the dailies ran their course in a day or two and before the weekly paper printed the news it got down to its proper size and the weekly thus gave it straight.

And this is about the way of it still. The editor of the weekly paper sometimes feels like he is a week behind; but being a little behind gives him a chance to get the news straight.

Take, for instance, the news of the recent St. Louis cyclone. In the name of pity, it was bad enough when it was given correctly; but the dailies in horrifying headlines announced that a thousand lives were lost and almost incalculable amount of property was destroyed. When the hard facts were learned in time for the weekly press to give them to its readers, there were only three hundred lives lost and the property loss about one-tenth what the dailies first reported.

Take another instance: A few weeks ago there was a severe hail storm at Wake Forest, and the daily papers said that Mr. W. P. Mangum's crop was entirely ruined, loss about \$5,000, and he would have to plant his cotton fields in peas. A few days later, when the talk about the hail storm had ceased to be news to the dailies, but in good time for the weeklies to get in a correct report, it was learned that Mr. Mangum's crop was damaged very little, if any, and that he would make as much as if the hail had not come.

After all, you may pretty surely rely on the weekly papers that are carefully edited, and they are fully worth the money they cost any family.

DR. WINSTON TO TEXAS.

The friends of the University of North Carolina are pained to learn that President George T. Winston has resigned his position with that institution. He has been elected President of the University of Texas. He has accepted and his resignation takes effect 1st of August.

Dr. Winston has done a great deal for the University and he will be greatly missed from the State as an educator. But while his many friends and admirers regret to see him go, they rejoice in his prospects of enlarged usefulness, and better remuneration for his labors than he can get here. His salary in his new position will be \$5,000.

NAMING THE MAN.

The National Democratic Convention is in session at Chicago, having convened on 7th; but we have been unable to learn anything as to the nominations for President and vice-President.

A severe storm last night beat down the wires and there has been no intelligence received here up to the hour of going to press.

GOVERNOR CARR'S FINE STEED.

Thousands of North Carolinians attended the Confederate reunion in Richmond last week; and it was their peculiar pleasure to see Governor Carr ride the finest steed in the procession.

We heard of the Scotland Neck people who were there say that Governor Carr's raven-black horse was the prettiest in the procession and the Governor's Guards were the handsomest in the procession, also, and were cheered lustily all along the lines.

KIND WORDS BY THE BRETHREN

News and Observer: With its issue June 18th the Scotland Neck Democrat changed its name to THE COMMONWEALTH. The Democrat by any other name would read as well. But it will be no less Democratic, says the editor.

Gold Leaf: But beyond the change in name there will be neither "variation nor the shadow of varying" in its editorial utterances or conduct of management. Its politics, policy and tenor will be the same as heretofore. Brother Hilliard publishes an excellent paper, and the Gold Leaf wishes him success and prosperity equal to his deserts.

Charlotte Democrat: The Scotland Neck Democrat, one of the brightest weeklies in eastern North Carolina, has parted company with its old name, and since June 11th appears as THE COMMONWEALTH. The name is a most fitting one and we bespeak for THE COMMONWEALTH the same general popularity that its predecessor in name has enjoyed.

Webster's (Riedsville) Weekly: The Scotland Neck Democrat is no more, having given place to THE COMMONWEALTH. The change is simply one of name. Editor Hilliard is still on deck and the policy remains unchanged. He is one of the cleverest editors in the State and we have read after him with pleasure and profit for several years. May he continue to prosper.

Roanoke News: Our esteemed neighbor, the Democrat of Scotland Neck, has laid aside its old heading and now comes out under the name it first had, THE COMMONWEALTH. This is the name under which the paper was established in 1882 by the associate editor of the News, who soon afterward sold it to Mr. Noah Biggs and others. We congratulate our neighbor on a return to its original name and wish it a prosperous career.

Plymouth Beacon: With its issue of June 18th the Scotland Neck Democrat changed its name to THE COMMONWEALTH. Outside of its heading no change has been made. Editor Hilliard is a pusher in the newspaper business and has done a power of good for his town and community. His reason for changing the name of his paper is because there are so many papers in the State named Democrat. THE COMMONWEALTH will be no less Democratic than the Democrat was.

Dunn Union: The change of name does not change the politics of the paper. It will remain as before—advocating the principles of Democracy. Mr. Hilliard is a native of Harnett county and has many friends here. THE COMMONWEALTH, as The Democrat has been, under his management will be one of the brightest and ablest edited country weeklies in the state. The Union finds it a highly appreciated and valuable exchange.

Charity and Children: We are glad to welcome THE COMMONWEALTH to our table this week. It is the old Scotland Neck Democrat, but looks like a new paper under its new name. We hope it will enjoy a largely increased patronage. We are quite sure we would rather subscribe to THE COMMONWEALTH than the Scotland Neck Democrat. There is a great deal in name after all. Editor Hilliard is one of the foremost journalists in the State, and the good people of Scotland Neck, if they know a good thing, will rally to his support. Many other towns in North Carolina are after him.

The town councilmen of Winston have refused to grant liquor license and that town will be a dry one for six months in name, at least. The Sentinel calls upon the officers of the law to see that all violations be promptly punished, and thus give the town the benefit of the law.

ALL THE PEOPLE

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SKETCH OF OUR NEXT GOVERNOR.

Winston Sentinel.

Cyrus B. Watson, "Our Cy," as he is popularly known throughout Western North Carolina, is a son of the late John Watson, Esq., and was born January 14, 1844, near Kernersville, in what was then a part of Stokes; but forming now a very important section of this (Forsyth) county.

From early childhood he was exceptionally bright and gave promise of great mental activity and capacity. His educational advantages were only those afforded by the common schools of that day.

When the dark clouds of the late civil war arose and hovered threateningly over this Southland, although only 16 years of age, he was one of the first to shoulder arms and go out from the home of his boyhood to fight and suffer and, if needs be die for the Confederate cause. He served most valiantly as sergeant of company K, Forty-fifth regiment, N. C. troops. He was seriously wounded at both Williamsport, Md., and Spotsylvania court house.

When the war closed Mr. Watson laid down his arms and came back to his Kernersville home. He served both there and at High Point for a year or two as a clerk in general merchandise stores. He afterwards studied law under the late J. M. Leach at Lexington, and was admitted to the bar in 1868. During the next year, 1869, he was united in marriage to Miss A. E. Henly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Henly.

Since the war, while loyal in every way to the Federal Government, he has at all times, by both word and action, shown himself and earnest defender of the South and her interests. He is an active member of the Norfolk Camp, No. 426, United Confederate Veterans.

Mr. Watson rose rapidly to prominence in his chosen profession, developing into an able practitioner, especially adroit and successful in the conduct of criminal cases.

In 1883 Mr. Watson was elected to the North Carolina State Senate, Thirty-second district. He served as an efficient member of the Committees on Internal Improvement, the Code, Redistricting the State, Judiciary and several others. He was a hard working Senator, in every way representing his district with much credit to himself and constituency. It is to Mr. Watson that is due the credit for originating and engineering, to successful enactment, the most notable and salutary law of that year, the famous anti-lynch law. He was elected to the Senate by majority of 1,805.

About 1875 Mr. Watson formed a co-partnership, for the practice of law with the late W. B. Glenn, with whom he was associated until 1885, when the present well known law firm of Watson & Buxton, which ranks as one of the foremost legal combinations in the State, was formed.

Again in 1893 Mr. Watson was called into public life, having been elected to the lower House of the State Legislature. In this position he, as in the Senate of 1883, labored diligently for the best interests of his constituency and State at large.

He was the author and earnest advocate of the famous anti-trust measure introduced in the House by himself, and passed that body by a good majority, but was floundered and defeated in the Senate by a bare majority. The direct aim of this measure was to throw off the heavy yoke of trusts and combinations, which have for several years been sapping the life from North Carolina industry and hindering her material prosperity. It aimed an especial blow at that arch enemy of the tobacco planter, the American Tobacco company. Mr. Watson during this term of Legislature served as chairman of the Committee on Banks, and was quite active in the passage of a law providing for the re-establishment of State banks, which was to go into effect when the Congress should have repealed the 10 per cent. tax on institutions of this character.

It was during this session that Mr. Watson made his deepest and most favorable impressions upon the people of the State at large as an uncompromising Democrat and, as Forsyth's recent convention expressed it, "the ancient and earnest foe of monopoly and trust—the friend of silver—the defender of the people's rights." It was with commendation like unto the quotation just used, that the Forsyth county convention, held in this city June 20th, most enthusiastically endorsed Mr. Watson for the nomination as Democratic candidate for Congress from the Eighth district.

It was with unfeigned yet reluctant pleasure that Forsyth's delegation, in obedience to the State convention, yielded their favorite as a Congressional candidate, for the high and more responsible position of Governor of the Old North State.

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WORTH ATTENTION.

Below we publish, some resolutions which the Fisherman and Farmer says were passed by the ministers in Elizabeth City.

Our contemporary says the resolutions are meeting with favor where they have been presented, and THE COMMONWEALTH thinks they are timely. They certainly would mean much to the country at large if their sentiment should be adopted by the managers of manufacturing establishments.

Now, don't skip them and think that because some ministers formulated them they are religiously fanatical and impracticable. They carry much common sense and by their adoption no one would be the worse, but many would be the better. The resolutions are as follows:

Whereas, the system of paying off large bodies of hands on Saturday evening has two evil effects, viz: It makes Saturday night the time of general trading—crowding into one night what ought to be done during an entire week. This trading and hard toil continues until near midnight, leaving the merchant and clerks utterly fatigued for the holy exercises of the Sabbath day.

2. The Saturday night system has a tendency to add further temptation to those who are convulsively inclined to spend their wages foolishly to their own hurt, and to the deprivation of their families and their creditors.

For these potent reasons many of the most conscientious employers of the country have a pay day early in the week.

Therefore, we, the undersigned pastors, seeking solely to promote the religious and material interests of the community, do earnestly urge

1. That manufacturers and employers adopt a pay day near the first of the week.

2. And we respectfully ask the merchants to close their stores at 10 o'clock sharp on Saturday nights.

BEAUTIFUL MORGANTON.

Correspondence to THE COMMONWEALTH.
MORGANTON, N. C., July 2nd, 1896.
The mountains are often sought by persons from the low country for the sake of the pure, bracing atmosphere and sparkling health-giving waters, but just now there seems to be a great deal more sickness here than there is with you. An epidemic of measles in the spring has been followed by a severe type of dysentery, and now there are several cases of typhoid fever in the town and vicinity, two of which have proved fatal.

The crops in this section, I believe, are considered very good. Riding out in the country some days ago I saw a fine looking corn as you ever saw on the Roanoke river, rank, green and of a uniform size. I was told that the land had no manure on it whatever, and that it was brought up to its present state of fertility by proper cultivation.

From my bedroom window, looking towards the left, I can see the dome of the State Hospital for the insane and other unfortunate cases. It now contains over six hundred patients, and is said to be one of the best equipped, and best managed institutions of the kind in the whole country. I am told that the outline of the ground floor is over a mile long, and that the plans of the building together with the occasional oversight of the architect cost two thousand dollars. Looking from the same window straight before me, I have almost a full front view of the handsome and spacious building of the Deaf and Dumb School. Occupying a beautiful and commanding site, its clock tower pointing upwards a hundred and twenty feet can be seen for miles around in almost any direction. The interior of the building is beautifully finished in native wood, a part of which was manufactured on the spot by the school's shops. Besides these wood-workers the school has a shoe shop, printing office, steam laundry, and a good library. The building is heated throughout with steam or hot water, and is lighted with electricity, generated by its own dynamo. Looking again from the same observatory, I can see one of the largest tanneries in the whole South. Getting back for this enterprise has been a great blessing to the mountain people. The hides are all brought from the West, and when ready for market are shipped North.

It is sad to see so many young men and boys of this town addicted to the habit of smoking cigarettes. When I think of it, I rejoice all the more that I live in a town where they can not be bought.

While writing the above the electric light suddenly went out. You might call that one of the inconveniences of the modern convenience. I am now writing by a candle in an old-fashioned candle-stick.

So far there are very few visitors either in town or at Glen Alpine Springs. They usually come later in the season. This is a very fine country, Mr. Editor, but there is no place like home.

W. J. S.

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AMOS CHERRY,
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